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REMARKS

Claims 1-11 were pending in this application and remain pending for consideration. Claims 1-3, 5-7, and 10 have been amended. Additionally, Claims 12-14 have been added. Support for the amended claims and the new claims can be found throughout the specification, e.g., in Figure 3, on page 4 lines 22-27 and pages 6-7. No new matter has been added by the amendments.

Applicant thanks Examiner Kramer for the interview conducted on November 28, 2006. Per the discussion with the Examiner, Applicant submits this supplemental amendment to clarify that order information may be selectively routed to one of a plurality of workers. As discussed in the interview, U.S. Patent No. 4, 388,689 issued to Hayman does not disclose selectively routing information.

It is respectfully submitted that the rejections set forth in the outstanding Office Action are inapplicable to the present claims at least for the reasons set forth above. Accordingly, early issuance of a Notice of Allowance is most earnestly solicited. If further issues remain to be resolved, the Applicants' undersigned attorney of record hereby formally requests a personal interview with the Examiner. The Applicants' attorney can be reached at (949) 721-7623 or at the number listed below.

Any remarks in support of patentability of one claim should not be imputed to any other claim, even if similar terminology is used. Any remarks referring to only a portion of a claim should not be understood to base patentability on solely that portion; rather, patentability must rest on each claim taken as a whole. For the sake of brevity, Applicants have not challenged in this response whether the Alpdemir reference is analogous art to Applicants' field of invention or whether the combination is proper; however, Applicants respectfully reserve the right to do so in later filings.

The undersigned has made a good faith effort to respond to all of the rejections in the case and to place the claims in condition for immediate allowance. Nevertheless, if any undeveloped issues remain or if any issues require clarification, the Examiner is respectfully requested to call Applicants' attorney in order to resolve such issue promptly.

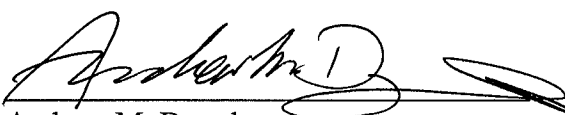
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